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**DEQ Announces Extension of Comment Period
For ExxonMobil's Air Permit**

At the request of citizens in the community adjacent to the ExxonMobil refinery, DEQ's Permits Division has extended the public comment period for the proposed air permits for ExxonMobil's Baton Rouge refinery. The comment period was originally scheduled to end on January 25, 2002.

The Baton Rouge refinery is seeking permits to increase air emissions as part of a project to produce a new type of cleaner, low-sulfur gasoline under a mandate from the USEPA.

The public comment period has been extended until 4:30 PM on Friday, February 8, 2002. Comments may be FAXED to the DEQ's Permits Division at 225-765-0222.
